

Senate Resolution 50

By: Senators Brown of the 26th, Staton of the 18th and Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Welcoming citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, observing March 1,
2 2005, as Macon Day in Atlanta-Taste of Macon; recognizing the 2005 Cherry Blossom
3 Festival; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, public officials and citizens from Macon and Bibb County annually come to the
5 General Assembly to meet with the area's legislative delegation. A healthy democracy
6 demands an active interchange of ideas between citizens and their elected representatives;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the views of elected officials from the counties and cities of the state are always
9 deeply interesting to members of the General Assembly, and the citizens and public officials
10 from Macon and Bibb County frequently offer invaluable advice and counsel to their
11 legislative delegation on the annual legislative visit; and

12 WHEREAS, the officials and citizens from Macon and Bibb County have outstanding
13 leadership in Mayor C. Jack Ellis and Charles Bishop, Chairman of the Board of
14 Commissioners of Bibb County; and

15 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation from Macon and Bibb County annually awaits the
16 citizens and local officials' delegation from Macon and Bibb County with eager anticipation
17 both because of its invaluable advice and counsel and because of the culinary delights
18 afforded by The Taste of Macon; and

19 WHEREAS, the legislative delegation then looks forward to returning home to see the annual
20 blooming of the Yoshino cherry trees in Macon and Bibb County, a beautiful sight that
21 signaling the arrival of spring in the State of Georgia; and

22 WHEREAS, the Cherry Blossom Festival is sponsored each year by the Keep Macon-Bibb
23 Beautiful Commission as a special celebration of the spring season, and throughout the year

1 the citizens of Macon and Bibb County and the State of Georgia look forward to this period
2 and to the enjoyment of the many festivities planned; and

3 WHEREAS, representatives of the city and county and the festival sponsors will again this
4 year be distributing Yoshino cherry trees to members of the General Assembly and others
5 in promotion of the festival, and this gesture is greatly appreciated as it contributes
6 significantly to the beautification of the state; and

7 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body recognize this excellent tradition and express its
8 appreciation of the many contributions made to the State of Georgia by the annual Cherry
9 Blossom Festival.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
11 welcome the citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County, observing March
12 1, 2005, as Macon Day in Atlanta-Taste of Macon, and recognize the 2005 Cherry Blossom
13 Festival.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
15 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Honorable C. Jack Ellis and the
16 Honorable Charles Bishop.